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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

HANNA et al.

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Application Serial No. 09/772,938

Examiner: P. Gambel

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Title: TREATMENT OF CELL MALIGNANCIES USING COMBINATION

OF B CELL DEPLETING ANTIBODY AND IMMUNE

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ELECTION REPLY

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on March 12, 2002, Applicants elect combined administration of an anti-CD40L antibody (as the immunomodulatory antibody) and an anti-CD20 antibody as the B cell depleting antibody for treatment of a B cell lymphoma, and specifically non-Hodgkin's disease.

Applicants presume that upon a determination that the elected species are patentable that the Examiner will broaden the search and examination to all B cell APR 1 5 2002 lymphomas and leukemias.

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It is believed that this response is fully responsive to the outstanding Restriction Requirement. If the Examiner has any questions relating to this application he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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